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CPUC INVESTIGATIONS RESULT IN ENFORCEMENT ACTIONS AND FINES IMPOSED ON VARIOUS MOVING COMPANIES IN Q3 2013

SAN FRANCISCO, October 31, 2013 – The California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC), in its ongoing commitment to safety and consumer protection, took a number of actions to protect consumers from illegally operating moving companies during the third quarter of 2013.

CPUC staff took the following enforcement actions against moving companies for violations of the Public Utilities Code and CPUC rules and regulations, including Maximum Rate Tariff 4 (Max 4), which contains maximum rates that carriers must observe as well as rules and regulations governing intrastate moves:

Administrative Citations

- LA Moving Inc., (MTR 0190619) based in Tarzana was fined \$1,200 for failing to issue a Combined Agreement for Moving Services and Freight Bills showing all information as required.
- Nam Kheo Moving, Inc., (MTR 190814) based in Garden Grove was fined \$1,500 for failing
 to include a "Not to Exceed" price, failing to provide the "Important Information For Persons
 Moving Household Goods Booklet", failing to provide the "Important Notice About Your
 Move" to shippers, Max 4 violations, and failing to maintain a claim register for loss and
 damage claims.
- Hercules Moving Systems, Inc., (MTR190477) based in Los Angeles was fined \$2,500 for Max 4 violations, failing to include a "Not to Exceed" price, and failing to complete the "Important Notice About Your Move".
- Ram Moving Corp, dba AVL Moving Systems (MTR 190164) based in Santa Clara was fined \$1,500 for failing to provide the shippers with the "Important Notice about Your Move", failing to provide the "Important Information for Persons Moving Household Goods" booklet', failing to issue a Change Order for Service, and Max 4 violations

Criminal Actions

Vadim Bayramov dba Hermes Movers, San Diego, (Unlicensed): The San Diego County District Attorney's Office filed a four-count misdemeanor complaint in San Diego Superior Court for violations of PU Code 5133 (three counts) and 5314.5 (one count), operating and advertising without CPUC authority. The defendant did not show for arraignment on July 15, 2013. Arraignment was rescheduled to July 31, 2013, and the defendant appeared in court and pled not guilty. A settlement conference is expected to be scheduled.

Overcharges and Refunds

CPUC staff assisted and/or directed moving companies to refund consumers more than \$11,000 for overcharges and other violations of the Max 4.

Official Notice

The following four companies were issued an Official Notice for advertising and operating without a permit.

- 1. The Small Delivery Co., Los Angeles (MTR 190954)
- 2. Kim Eilar dba Fast, Affordable Movers, Colton (Unlicensed)
- 3. Mark Harrell dba Only Choice Movers, Menifee (unlicensed)
- 4. Skynet Moving Enterprises Inc., San Bernardino (Unlicensed)

Cease and Desist Notice

The following 20 companies were issued a cease and desist notice for operating and advertising without a valid permit (unlicensed, revoked, or denied):

- 1. The Movers, Beaumont (Unlicensed)
- 2. McGuire Movers, San Francisco (Unlicensed)
- 3. Gardner Barron Frank, Woodland Hills (MTR 0119165)
- 4. All Knight Moving, Ontario (Unlicensed)
- 5. Bartle Brothers Moving, Inc., San Diego (MTR 189253)
- 6. Tom Arnett dba Pro Movers and Deliveries, San Diego (Unlicensed)
- 7. Fast, Affordable Movers, Colton (Unlicensed)
- 8. Ping Shui Xue dba Z.X. Moving Center, San Francisco (Unlicensed)
- 9. Chico Independent Moving Company, Chico (Unlicensed)
- 10. CV Services, Inc. dba CV Pickup and Delivery Service, San Diego (Unlicensed)
- 11. Campus Storage, Manhattan Beach (MTR 0191045)
- 12. Daniels Moving, Lincoln (MTR None)
- 13. Rik Morosini dba Go Truckless Moving, San Diego (unlicensed)
- 14. Vector Moving, San Diego (Unlicensed)
- 15. KBS Moving Inc., dba Koreatown Best Service Co., Rowland Heights (Revoked)



- 16. Downtown Movers, Huntington Beach (Unlicensed)
- 17. Vadim Romanovich dba Premium Movers, San Diego (Unlicensed)
- 18. Nicolas Arreola dba Father, Son Movers, Moreno Valley (Unlicensed)
- 19. Camel Moving, San Diego (Unlicensed)
- 20. Skynet Moving Enterprises Inc., San Bernardino (Unlicensed)

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